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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

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INVENTION: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR COUPLING AN ATM  
COMMUNICATION LAYER TO A PLURALITY OF TIME-DIVISION  
MULTIPLEX COMMUNICATION TERMINALS

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents,  
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Sir:

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Please amend the above-identified International Application before  
entry into the National stage before the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office  
under 35 U.S.C. §371 as follows:

**In The Specification:**

On page 1 cancel lines 1-3 and substitute the following therefor:

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**--SPECIFICATION**

**TITLE**

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**BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION**

**Field of the Invention--.**

On page 1, line 4, insert --present-- before "invention".

On page 1, line 4, insert --both-- before "a".